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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT CORRECTED)

E.O. 11652: XGDS-3
TAGS: PINR, UR, US
SUBJECT: INVESTIGATION BY SELECT COMMITTEE ON
ASSASSINATIONS INTO DEATH OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

1. ACTING POL COUNSELOR CALLED ON MFA USA DIVISION
COUNSELOR ZAYTSEV JULY 31 TO SUPPORT REQUEST OF
HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS FOR DOCU-
MENTS RELATING TO LEE HARVEY OSWALD'S STAY IN THE
SOVIET UNION. NOTING THAT HE WAS ACTING UNDER
DEPARTMENT'S INSTRUCTIONS TO SUPPORT EARLIER
REQUEST CONVEYED BY CONGRESSMAN EDGAR TO MINISTER
COUNSELOR VASEV, ACTING POL COUNSELOR COVERED EACH
OF POINTS IN PARA 4, REFTEL.

2. ZAYTSEV REPLIED THAT SOVIET GOVERNMENT HAD NOT
LONG AGO GIVEN DOCUMENTS OF ITS SECURITY SERVICES
CONCERNING OSWALD TO A U.S. COMMITTEE. HE WAS NOT
CERTAIN WHICH COMMITTEE RECEIVED THEM, BUT BELIEVED
IT MUST HAVE BEEN ONE OTHER THAN THE WARREN
COMMISSION, SINCE THE DOCUMENTS WERE DELIVERED
MUCH MORE RECENTLY THAN THAT COMMISSION HAD DONE ITS
WORK. ZAYTSEV SAID THAT SOVIET SECURITY SERVICES

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DID NOT HAVE ANY DOCUMENTS RELATING TO OSWALD IN
ADDITION TO THOSE WHICH HAD ALREADY BEEN GIVEN.
CONCLUDING, ZAYTSEV SAID THAT VASEV HAD ALREADY
BEEN INSTRUCTED TO MAKE THIS KNOWN TO THE COMMITTEE
IN RESPONSE TO ITS REQUEST.

3. IN RESPONSE TO ACTING POL COUNSELOR'S QUESTION,

ZAYTSEV SAID THAT THIS CONSTITUTED SOVIET GOVERNMENT'S
OFFICIAL AND FINAL ANSWER TO THE REQUEST, EMPHASIZING
ONCE AGAIN THAT SOVIET GOVERNMENT DID NOT HAVE
ANY ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS.

4. COMMENT: ZAYTSEV SEEMED POSITIVE THAT NO
FURTHER SOVIET DOCUMENTS CONCERNING OSWALD COULD
BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE U.S. SIDE. WE WILL
FOLLOW UP WITH HIM, HOWEVER, REGARDING THE
RECIPIENT OF THE OSWALD DOCUMENTS HE MENTIONED,
AS WELL AS THE DATE THE DOCUMENTS WERE TRANSMITTED
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